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Feodosiya Naval Missile Test Facility, USSR (S)

MISSILE RANGES: NAVAL LAUNCHED FACILITIES

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ABSTRACT

1. (S/D) This report provides information on Feodosiya Naval Missile Test Facility, USSR, obtained from imagery of June 1979 through May 1980 and updates previous NPIC report

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2. (S/D) Feodosiya Naval Missile Test Facility continues to be the focal point for land-based testing of Soviet antisubmarine warfare (ASW) weapons systems. Possible missile crates beside the twin-rail launcher at launch pad B were observed for the first time, and indications of a new or continuing SUW-N-1 program were also seen.

3. (S) A location map and two annotated photographs are included in this report.

INTRODUCTION

4. (S/D) Feodosiya Naval Missile Test Facility (Figure 1) continues to be an important facility in the Soviet infrastructure for developing and modifying ASW systems. Both the SS-N-14 and SUW-N-1 systems are apparently undergoing further testing, and probable test-related activity has been observed at the twin-rail launcher at launch pad B for the first time. This report updates a previous NPIC report.¹

Activity and Developments**Launch Pad A**

5. (S/D) The canvas of the missile-ready tent was removed from its framework between and it lay on the ground beneath the tent framework until early July. From the canvas was draped over a probable SS-N-14 missile-loading canister which was located within the tent framework on the rails leading to the SS-N-14 launcher. The SS-N-3-type transporter was also observed at this time, but it had returned to Feodosiya Probable ASW Checkout Facility (

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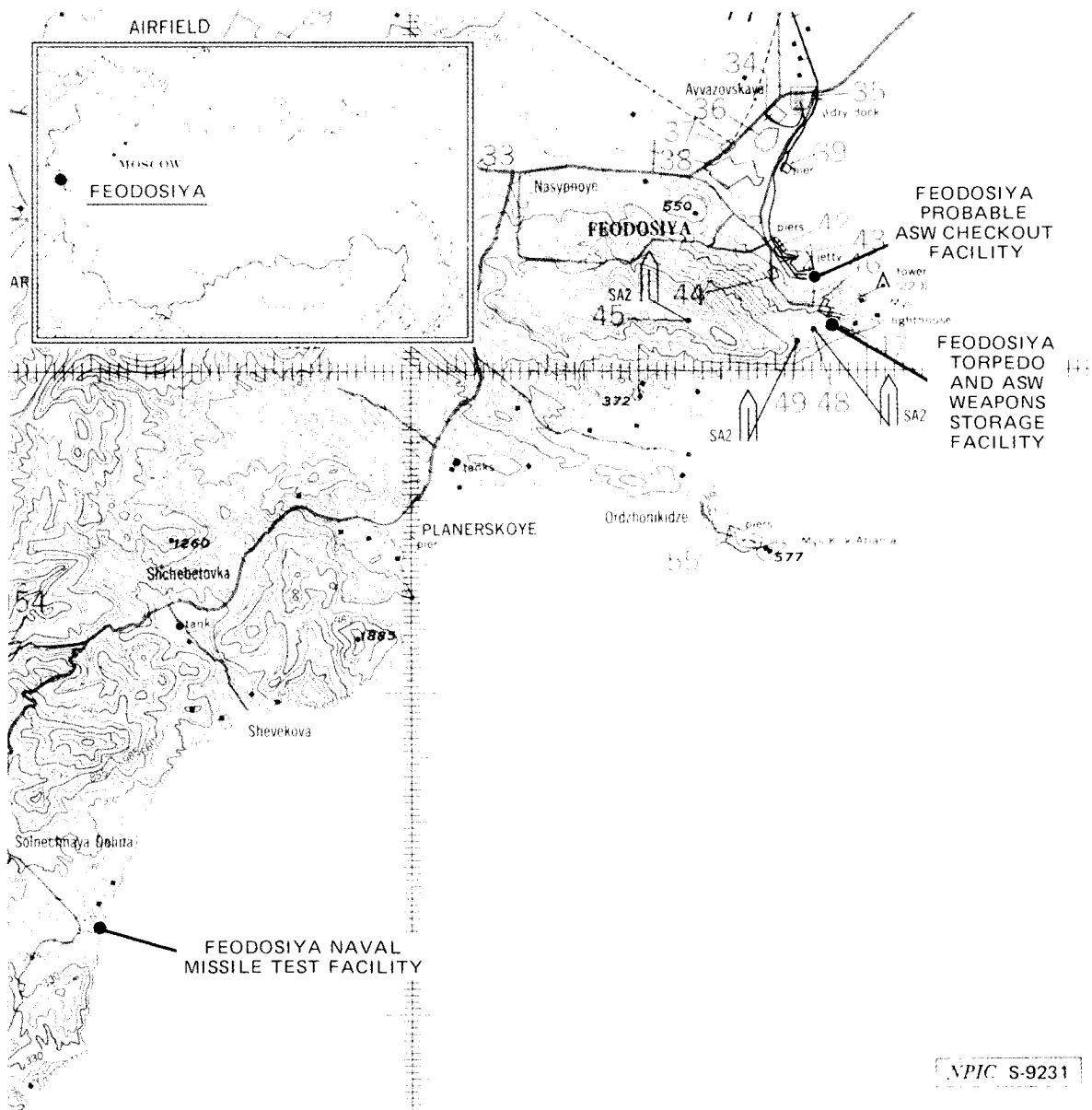
6. (S/D) From [] through at least [] the canvas was again seen on the ground. On the next available coverage, [] the canvas was gone and an object was seen on the rails part of the way to the SS-N-14 launcher (Figure 2). The object may have been the dolly which is usually seen near the missile-ready tent, but it did not appear to be carrying a loading canister. In addition, another dolly, which had been seen within the tent framework since [] was gone and the SS-N-14 launcher had been rotated slightly.

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**FIGURE 1. LOCATIONS OF SELECTED FEODOSIYA NAVAL FACILITIES, USSR**

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Launch Pad B

7. (S/D) The SUW-N-1 launcher (Figure 2) was observed covered on [] and was still covered on [] It was last covered from early September 1978 through January 1979. During this period, unidentified activity involving the launcher was observed.¹ The recent covering of the launcher may indicate that the launcher is once again involved in a continuing or new test program.

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8. (S/D) Two possible missile crates, [] were seen beside the twin-rail launcher from [] and the canvas had been removed from the launcher by [] This is the first activity observed around the launcher since its completion in late 1976² and the first time it has been seen uncovered.

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Other Activity

9. (S/D) All of the vehicles usually seen in the vehicle parking area (Figure 3) have been removed. Most of them were gone by [] and all were gone by [] Some of these vehicles may have been transferred to Feodosiya Torpedo and ASW Weapons Storage Facility [] approximately the same number and general type of vehicles that had left the missile test facility were seen at the ASW storage facility.

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10. (S/D) Construction on the arch-roofed building continued. On [] walls for a square addition were seen at the northeast end of the building (Figure 3).

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REFERENCES

IMAGERY

(S/D) All applicable satellite imagery acquired from [] was used in the preparation of this report.

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MAPS OR CHARTS

CTS. US Air Target Chart, Series 200, Sheet 0249-16, scale 1:200,000 (UNCLASSIFIED)

DOCUMENTS

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